



CALIFORNIA TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

California Public Utilities Commission
Railroad Grade Crossing Protection Maintenance Program
Allocation Set-Aside for \$2 Million in FY 2009-10

Resolution #G-08-16

- 1.1 WHEREAS, the Automatic Grade Crossing Protection Maintenance Fund was established by the Legislature in 1965 (Public Utilities Code Section 1231.1) to pay the cities' and counties' share of the cost of maintaining automatic grade crossing protection devices installed by railroad corporations after October 1, 1965; and
- 1.2 WHEREAS, since 1967 a minimum of \$1 million per year has been appropriated by the State Legislature and allocated by the California Transportation Commission to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) for its Railroad Grade Crossing Protection Maintenance Program; and
- 1.3 WHEREAS, in 1973 the federal law changed which resulted in the increased installation and upgrading of automatic grade crossing protection devices; and
- 1.4 WHEREAS, the total claims submitted by the railroad corporations have substantially exceeded the \$1 million cap since 1977; and
- 1.5 WHEREAS, the anticipated claims to be submitted to the PUC for FY 2009-10 are estimated to be about \$3.85 million, which exceeds the annual \$1 million required allocations set-aside by \$2.85 million; and
- 1.6 WHEREAS, the Commission considered the revenues in the State Highway Account, as well as programs funded through the State Highway Account.
- 2.1 NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the California Transportation Commission only supports a \$2.0 million allocation set-aside in the upcoming FY 2009-10 Budget for use in the PUC grade crossing protection maintenance program, rather than the PUC-recommended allocation set-aside of \$3.85 million.